

# Grand Canyon State Electric Cooperative Association, Inc.



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DOCKET CONTROL

Docket Control Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: In the Matter of the Proposed Rulemaking Concerning the Processing of

Cooperative Utility Rate Cases;

Docket No. RU-00000A-12-0270

Dear Sir/Madam:

Garkane Energy Cooperative, Inc., Navopache Electric Cooperative, Inc., Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Trico Electric Cooperative, Inc. hereby file their public notices for the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") Proposed Rulemaking Concerning the Processing of Cooperative Rate Cases that have approved by ACC Staff. These cooperatives have also provided a certification of mailing that this notice has been mailed to all of their Arizona member/customers.

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Sincerely,

GRAND CANYON STATE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

Original and thirteen (14) copies filed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2012, with:

DOCKET CONTROL Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007 Loa Business Office



www.GarkaneEnergy.com

**September 12, 2012** 

Arizona Corporation Commission Consumer Services Section Docket No. RU-00000A-12-0270 1200 West Washington Phoenix, AZ 85007

RE: Proposed Rulemaking on Processing of Cooperative Utility Rate Cases

**Dear Sirs:** 

Enclosed is the notice we mailed to our 1,320 Arizona customers the week of September 10, 2012.

Should you have questions, please contact us.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

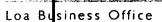
GARKANE ENERGY COOPERATIVE, INC.

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CEO

Enclosure (1)





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To Our Member/Owners:

RE: PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON PROCESSING OF COOPERATIVE UTILITY RATE CASES (DOCKET NO. RU-00000A-12-0270)

On August 9, 2012, Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) approved a proposed rulemaking that will provide an alternative rate case process for Electric and Natural Gas Cooperatives as well as Generation and Transmission Cooperatives. Your Board of Directors supports this effort because it may result in the following:

- Savings of 50% to 80% in the cost of filing a rate case with the ACC which are direct savings to our members.
- Rate case process completed in approximately 6 months rather than the current 13 month period.

Member rights do not change as a result of this proposed rulemaking.

Member notice will be provided to all members in advance of a rate case filing.

Members may object, intervene or request a hearing upon receiving notice of a rate case filing.

If 1,000 members or 5% of the membership, whichever is less, object to the rate case, then the typical, more extensive rate case process will be required.

Cooperatives must meet certain conditions to file a rate case under this rule such as the increase in revenues is limited to no more than 6%, limitations on frequency and number of rate case filings and limitations on adjustments to rates.

Your Cooperative is committed to providing reliable service at the lowest cost. This proposed rule should save your Cooperative time and expense during the rate case process which would result in savings to you as a member. If you would like to comment on this proposed rule with a letter/postcard/email, please use the ACC address that is included below.

If you have questions or would like additional information regarding the proposed rule, please contact our office at (928) 485-2451 or the Arizona Corporation Commission at the address below.

Arizona Corporation Commission Consumer Services Section Docket No. RU-00000A-12-0270 1200 West Washington Phoenix, AZ 85007 (602)-542-4251 or 1-800-222-7000

Email Addresses of the Commissioners: pierce-web@azcc.gov; stump-web@azcc.gov; newman-web@azcc.gov; kennedy-web@azcc.gov; burns-web@azcc.gov

# **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

This is to certify that Rate Letters for Navopache Electric Cooperative, Inc., totaling 35,523 pieces, were deposited in the U.S. Mail on 09/19/12, at the O'Fallon, MO. 63366 Post Office.

National Information Solutions Cooperative

By: The There

Sworn to before me this 20 day of Systember 2012

Notary Public

JUDITH L HOERNSCHEMEYER Notary Public, Notary Seal State of Missouri St. Charles County Commission # 10434573 My Commission Expires April 16, 2014





Office Hours Monday-Thursday Lakeside and Whiteriver: 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Other Offices: 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Phone: 928-368-5118 Toll Free 1-800-543-6324 Website address: <u>www.navopache.org</u>

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To Our Member/Owners:

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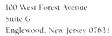
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201-871-1100 phone 201-871-3550 fax www.osgbilling.com

To: Wayne Crane Date: 10/8/2012

This letter is to certify that the Proposed Rulemaking Notice to Members insert for Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative was inserted and mailed with the following bill cycles during the month of September, 2012.

Cycle # 1: Qty: 4062

Date: 9/6/2012

**Cycle # 2:** Qty: 5512

Date: 9/12/2012

**Cycle # 3:** Qty: 7140

Date: 9/14/2012

**Cycle # 4:** Qty: 8288

Date: 9/19

**Cycle # 5:** Qty: 2669

Date: 9/21

**Cycle # 6:** Qty: 6547

Date: 9/26

**Cycle # 7:** Qty: 2776

Date: 9/28

Thank You,

Tom Prellwitz Account Manager OSG Billing Services Tel: 480-345-9600 X-581 Fax: 480-345-9601

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20<sup>th</sup>ANNIVERSARY

# Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. 350 North Haskell Avenue Willcox, AZ 85643 Telephone (520) 384-2221

To Our Member/Owners:

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If you have questions or would like additional information regarding the proposed rule, please contact our office at (520) 515-3470 or the Arizona Corporation Commission at the address below.

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### **National Information Solutions Cooperative**

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## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

This is to certify that a total of 38,165 billing statements for cycles 1-8 were printed for the month of September, 2012 for Trico Electric Cooperative, Inc.

National Information Solutions Cooperative

Sworn to before me this 8 day of Detable , 2012.

JACQUELYN ROCHA My Commission Expires March 9, 2015 St. Charles County Commission #11390861

# NOTICE: INITIAL DRAFT FOR THE PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON PROCESSING OF COOPERATIVE UTILITY RATE CASES (DOCKET NO. RU-00000A-12-0270)

On August 9, 2012, Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) approved a proposed rulemaking that would allow Electric and Natural Gas Cooperatives to file and receive approval of rate cases in an expedited rate case process.

This proposed rule may result in the following:

- Savings in the cost of filing a rate case with the ACC which are direct savings to our members
- Rate case process completed in approximately 6 months rather than the current 13 month period

Customer notice will be provided to all customers in advance of a rate case filing. Customers may object, intervene or request a hearing upon receiving notice of a rate case filing. If 1,000 members, or 5% of the membership, whichever is less, object to the rate case, then the typical, more extensive rate case process will be required.

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